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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

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ONLY ONE COLORED PASSENGER ON FLIGHT THREE FIFTY SEVEN TODAY, (b)(7)(C)

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DIRECTOR AND SAC, KANSAS CITY

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE, IS-C.

SURVEILLANCE REFLECTED UNKNOWN NEGRO ARRIVED ST. LOUIS AIRPORT
AND PROCEEDED TO C. P. HEADQUARTERS AND THEN TO REGISTRATION OFFICE
OF N. A. A. C. P. WHERE NATIONAL N. A. A. C. P. YOUTH CONFERENCE IS
BEING HELD TODAY THROUGH NOVEMBER THIRTEEN.

KANSAS CITY INTERVIEW

AND WHO WERE ABOARD TWA FLIGHT THREE FIVE SEVEN FROM NEW YORK
TO CINCINNATI, ST. LOUIS, AND KANSAS CITY, NOV. TEN, TO
ASCERTAIN IDENTITY OF NEGRO MAN

INTERVIEW SHOULD BE HANDLED IMMEDIATELY, INASMUCH AS

MAY BE ASSIGNED ANOTHER FLIGHT IMMEDIATELY. KANSAS CITY SUTEL.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New York 7, New York

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November 18, 1948

Director, FBI

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RE: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF COLORED PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Dear Sir:

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(b)(7)(c) It will be noted that each exhibit bears the date received and the
holographic initials of Special Agent [REDACTED] and Special Employee [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] who can testify to the legally admissible character of the [REDACTED].

This exhibit is being furnished to you for your information and such
handling as you deem appropriate.

Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important
source of evidence will not become known to any [REDACTED] agency.

Description of exhibit: [REDACTED]

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Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt
EDWARD SCHEIDT
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : J. Edgar Hoover, Director
 FROM : [REDACTED], Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, D. C. (b)(6)
 SUBJECT: National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and N.A.A.C.P. Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Incorporated (apparently a subsidiary or affiliate of the first mentioned organization)

56332/42
DATE: November 11, 1948

This Service has under consideration certain petitions for naturalization filed by individuals who are members of one or both of the organizations above mentioned.

It will be appreciated if you will furnish this office with a summary of any information which you may have concerning these organizations in order that a determination may be made by this Service as to whether they are within the purview of Section 305 of the Nationality Act of 1940.

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[REDACTED] Commissioner (b)(7)(C)
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Director, FBI

November 15, 1948

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF
COLORED PEOPLE

N.A.A.C.P. LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL

FUND, INCORPORATED

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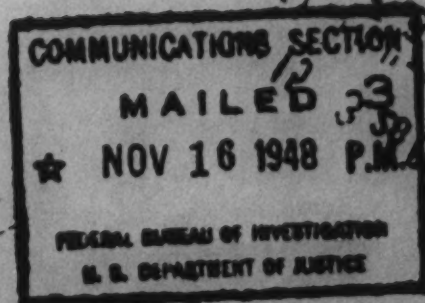
Reference is made to your memorandum of November 3, 1948, requesting that you be furnished with a summary of information concerning captioned organizations in order that your Service might make a determination as to whether or not these organizations are within the purview of Section 305 of the Nationality Act of 1940.

Copies of all investigative reports concerning the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People have previously been furnished the Division of Records. The N.A.A.C.P. Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Incorporated, is a subsidiary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

It is suggested that, based upon information previously provided to the Department of Justice, you might desire to inquire of the Attorney General as to whether or not captioned organizations could be classified as coming within the purview of Section 305, Nationality Act of 1940.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Post Office Drawer V, Plaza Station
St. Louis 1, Missouri
December 16, 1948**

APPROPRIATE AGENCY
ADVISED BY SLIP(S)
DATE 6-27-72

Director, FBI

RE: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Dear Sir:

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By teletype dated December 3, 1948, the New York Office advised

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A summary of the activities of the NAACP Youth Conference was carried in the St. Louis Argus of November 19, 1948, a resume of which is here set forth:

Conference passed resolutions calling for fair employment practices, public housing, ending of segregation and discrimination in the Armed Services, elimination of the poll tax and passed resolutions requesting Federal aid for education and anti-lynch laws.

The article reflects that the four-day conference was attended by approximately 200 individuals from 23 states; that Mrs. RUBY HURLEY, National Youth Secretary, was in charge of the conference. Article also reflects that the conference was addressed by WALTER WHITE, Secretary of the NAACP, and by LAWRENCE C. HOWARD of Des Moines, Iowa. It further set forth that GLOSTER B. CURRENT, NAACP Director of Branches, presented the Small's Award to the Dayton Youth Council for its outstanding work in securing civil rights. The following officers of the organization were elected at the conference: Chairman, ALLAN GUNTHER, Atlanta, Georgia; Vice-president, AL HENDERSON of Piqua, Ohio; Secretary, GERTIE HENDERSON of St. Louis; Assistant Secretary, LEROY BEALL, Dallas, Texas.

The regional officers are as follows according to the article above mentioned: Region 1 to include the states of Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, Maryland, District of Columbia. The delegates are JULIUS FULLER, Lenore County, Kenton, N. Carolina; DOROTHY ADAMS of Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Georgia. Region 2, the states of Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Rhode Island; AL HENDERSON, Piqua, Ohio; MELICINA CARL, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; WENDELL CAMPBELL, East Chicago, Indiana. Region 3, the states therein are Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Arizona; HARRY ALEXANDER, New Orleans, Louisiana and VERNAL FULLER, Langston, Oklahoma; DAVID WILLIAMS of Bishop College, Tyler, Texas. Region 4, states there are Missouri, Nebraska, California, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota, Minnesota, and Utah. Representatives are ARTHUR BRYANT, Des Moines, Iowa, and HARRY BURDICK, St. Joe, Missouri.

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Inasmuch as there is no further investigation in this organization it is suggested that this case be Referred Upon Completion to the Office of Origin.

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Very truly yours,

G. B. Norris
G. B. NORRIS, SAC.

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT LOS ANGELES

FILE NO. 100

REPORT MADE AT Los Angeles	DATE WHEN MADE 12/13/48	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/13, 18, 19, 22, 28; 11/4, 9/48	REPORT MADE BY (b)(7)(C) DMR
TITLE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Officers of various branches of NAACP in Los Angeles Area set out. [REDACTED] (b)(7)(D) Picketing of the Sears Roebuck Store at Santa Monica, Calif. from about Nov. 1947 to July 1948, sponsored by the Santa Monica Branch of NAACP, was reportedly Communist dominated and the Peoples World newspaper sold on the picket line. The NAACP withdrew their activities in this picketing in July 1948 reportedly because of the Communist domination. Much publicity was given in the Daily Worker and other local newspapers that follow the Communist Party line, on the suspension of FRANK BARNES, President of the Santa Monica Branch of NAACP, from his post office job at Santa Monica on grounds of disloyalty. A three day regional conference of NAACP held in Los Angeles in March 1948 with delegates from five states attending. Membership campaign of NAACP in Los Angeles began 9/12/48 with goal to obtain 30,000 members and \$48,000 by 1/1/49. [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C) (b)(7)(D)			Class. & Ext. By SP-8 BTJ/awc Reason-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 Date of Review 2/27/82 3/15/84
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In the Monrovia, California Branch of the NAACP, Mr. ISAAC EPPERSON, 253 E. Central Avenue, Monrovia, is President and Mrs. DELIA F. JACKSON, 501 E. Maple Avenue, Monrovia, is Secretary.

Officials of the Pasadena, California Branch of the NAACP are Dr. A. R. TRAYLOR, 1119 Lincoln Avenue, Pasadena, President and Mr. A. H. SHAW, 92 W. Belview, Pasadena, Secretary.

Officials of the Long Beach, California Branch are CHAS. A. WATKINS, 1423 W. 15th Street, Long Beach, President and SAMANTHA DOUGLAS, 1466 Lewis Avenue, Long Beach, Secretary.

In the Santa Monica, California Branch of the NAACP, present officers are FRANK H. BARNES, 1839 - 22nd Street, Santa Monica, President and Miss MILDRED F. ALLEN, 1512 - 16th Street, Santa Monica, Secretary.

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The Los Angeles Tribune, a weekly Negro newspaper, in the 10/18/47 issue, stated "A militant Santa Monica Branch of the NAACP has threatened a picket and boycott of the Santa Monica Store of Sears Roebuck & Company, unless it hires Negro clerks by November 14. This announcement was made by FRANK H. BARNES, President of the Santa Monica Branch of the NAACP." This same newspaper in the 11/22/47 issue carried the following statement, "Picketing of the Santa Monica Sears Roebuck store by the Santa Monica Branch of the NAACP began last week as the Branch called for a boycott of the store by the buying public until the management agrees to hire Negroes. FRANK H. BARNES, President of the Branch, also stated that 10,000 leaflets stating the grievance and asking a boycott will be distributed in Santa Monica this week."

The California Eagle, another weekly Negro newspaper, in the 12/4/47 issue, carried an article regarding the picketing of the Sears Store in Santa Monica which stated that the National Negro Congress has given support not only in supplying pickets but has worked to develop broad support in the community from all organizations. The result of the work was evident last Friday and Saturday in a larger picket line. The Progressive Citizens of America, the Jewish Labor Council, International Workers Order, Jewish People's Fraternal Order, American Veteran's Committee and the Communist Party joined the National Negro Congress in swelling the ranks on the picket line.



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The Daily Worker, West Coast Communist Publication, in the May 21, 1948 issue, carried the following article under caption, "Postal Worker Suspended; Fought JIM CROW. - The President of the Santa Monica California Branch of the NAACP has been suspended from his post office job on grounds of disloyalty because he led an anti-JIM CROW drive. This was revealed here by NAACP secretary WALTER WHITE, who demanded that Postmaster Gen. JESSE M. DONALDSON withdraw the charges against the suspended worker, FRANK BARNES, and reinstate him without loss of pay or seniority rating." The article further stated that LOREN MILLER, Los Angeles NAACP Council, will represent BARNES at a Loyalty Board Hearing.

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The newspaper Santa Monica Independent of Santa Monica carried the following statement issued by the NAACP in the July 9, 1946 issue: "The executive board of the NAACP, Santa Monica Branch, has voted to dissolve the United Committee to end job discrimination at Sears that was set up to assist in picketing activities. The committee had no other function than to assist in the picketing and no good purpose would be served by maintaining it in the present circumstances. The NAACP wishes to extend its thanks to all persons and organizations who assisted in the long struggle and in the event further action is undertaken, all such persons and organizations will be notified. Consistent with the policy of the organization, negotiations will be conducted by the association and terms of the settlement will be made public at the earliest possible moment."

In the same issue of the Santa Monica Independent newspaper managing editor, FRANK RANKIEWICZ, wrote regarding the dissolution of the United Committee to end Job discrimination, "After the committee had been established, numerous Communist Party and front organizations began to attach themselves. Despite a firm repudiation of the Communist and their newspaper by BARNES, the Peoples World was sold on the picket line and Communist Party signs appeared in the parades. As a result of the discredit which the Communists had brought to the United Committee and because the NAACP now feels the direct negotiations with the Sears Management will better achieve its original aims in the dispute, the United Committee has now been dissolved and any pickets who appear now will be acting in direct opposition to the wishes of the NAACP and BARNES."

The California Eagle, weekly Negro newspaper in Los Angeles, stated in the January 16, 1947 issue that at the annual business meeting of the Los Angeles Branch of the NAACP, held the previous Sunday afternoon at the Wesley Methodist Church, THOMAS L. GRIFFITH, JR., Veteran President of the Branch, was re-elected for the presidency over opponent LOREN MILLER by a vote of 127 to 27. Further that at the meeting there were reports by President GRIFFITH, Financial Secretary, LORENZO CONDOIN, Treasurer, Dr. ALBERT A. BOWMAN and Secretary Miss ZELLA TAYLOR. The reports commented on the work of the Branch during the past year in striving for passage of fair employment legislation, abolition of restrictive covenants, investigation of police brutality cases and in general defending the rights of members of the community. Miss ZELLA TAYLOR, Secretary, reported that 14,511 persons joined the Los Angeles Branch of the NAACP during the year 1946.

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The March 13, 1947 issue of the California Eagle carried an article regarding the installation of 1947 officers of the NAACP Youth Council and stated that the newly formed council was organized after eight weeks of effort to discover and interest the right sort of young people. Further that the meetings of the Youth Council are held at the 28th Street YMCA, 1006 E. 28th Street, Los Angeles. According to the newspaper article the NAACP Youth Council will make a campaign against school, college, trade school and west side store discrimination its special province and will support the parent NAACP in the fight for fair employment and anti-lynch legislation.

The California Eagle newspaper in the July 17, 1947 issue stated that the Los Angeles Branch of the NAACP reported on 7/16/47 that its campaign workers had as of that date collected over \$10,000 and recruited over 5,000 new members. In the August 7, 1947 issue of this newspaper Attorney THOMAS GRIFFITH, JR. President of the Los Angeles Branch announced that 8,000 persons had joined the NAACP and that membership fees and donations to the "fighting fund" totaled over \$13,000.

The Los Angeles Tribune, weekly Negro newspaper, reported in the February 28, 1948 issue that delegates from five states and Hawaii were expected to attend the 2nd regional conference of the NAACP which was to be held in Los Angeles for three days beginning March 5, 1948. Further that the conference would be climaxed with an address by THURGOOD MARSHALL, NAACP general council. In the March 6, 1948 issue of this newspaper appeared the statement that excepting Hawaii there was 100 percent representation at this conference.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office reported their report dated March 12, 1948 contained the same information regarding the regional conference of the NAACP and added that THURGOOD MARSHALL spoke on the organizations fight against discrimination and prejudice.

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The August 4, 1948 issue of the Los Angeles Tribune and the August 12, 1943 issue of the California Eagle, both weekly Negro newspapers in Los Angeles, carried articles announcing the appointment of MARY ALTON CUTLER as the new Executive Secretary of the Los Angeles Branch of the NAACP.

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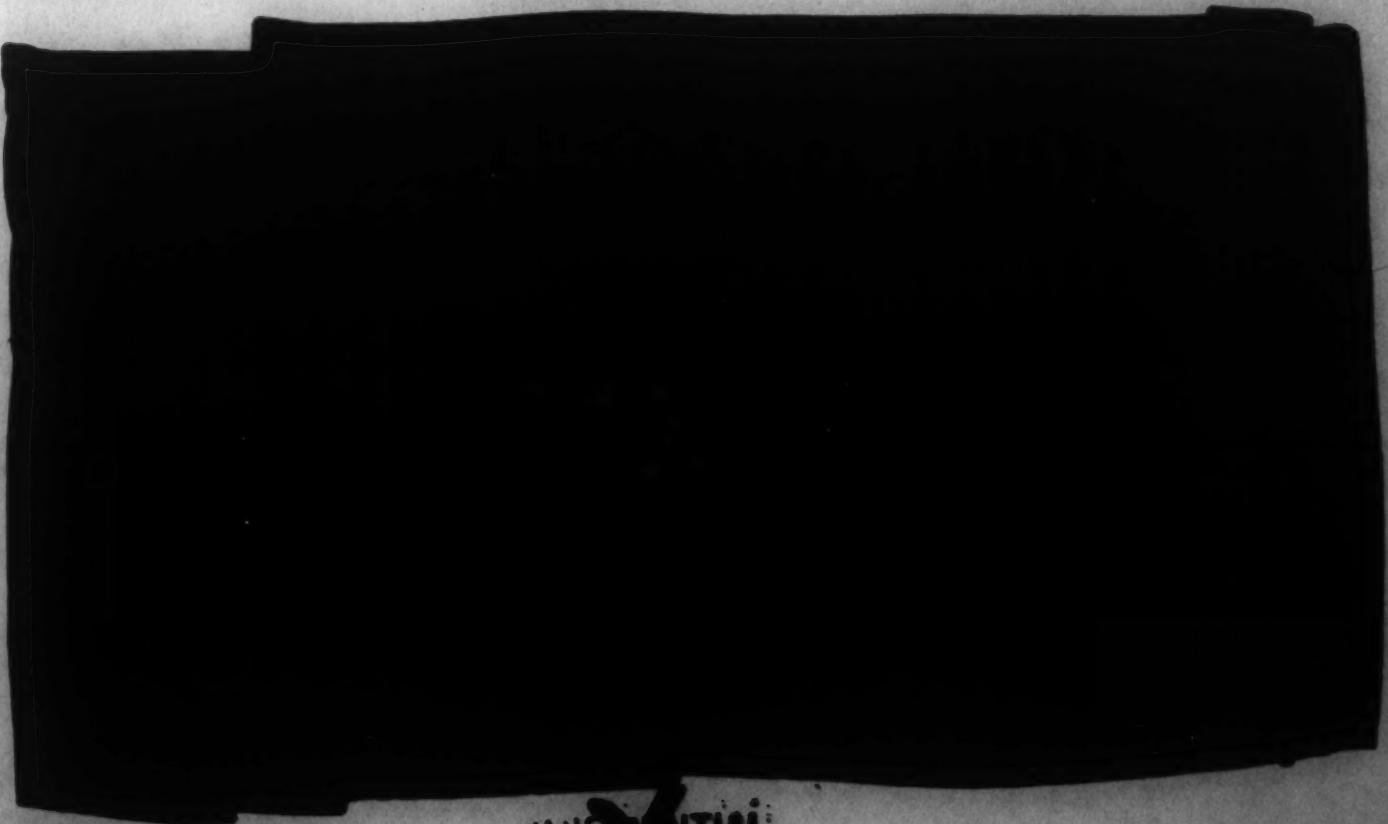
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The articles stated that Miss CUTLER was for two years with the California Youth Authority working with delinquent girls and that she formerly headed the French Department of St. Francis School, Woonsocket, Rhode Island. Further that Miss CUTLER was a native of Boston, Massachusetts and held a masters degree in French from McGill University, Montreal, Canada. Also that during the war years she was a USO director for the National Catholic Community Service at Vallejo, California and Sioux City, Iowa and also a member of the California Council of Social Service Executives. She is a negro and resides at 751 E. 43rd Place, Los Angeles, California.

The Los Angeles Tribune October 2, 1948 issue carried a photograph of Miss MARY CUTLER, pinning the first membership button on IRWIN L. DESHETLER, C.I.O. Regional Director. The photograph bore the footnote, "Los Angeles CIO leaders launch a drive within the ranks of the Union to help the NAACP membership drive."

The Los Angeles Sentinel, Negro newspaper in Los Angeles, stated in the September 16, 1948 issue that the 1948 membership campaign of the NAACP started Sunday September 12, 1948 with a goal to obtain 30,000 members for the local branch this year and to raise \$48,000 for the organization work during the coming year.



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At Los Angeles, California: Will continue to follow the activities of the NAACP in this area and determine the extent of Communist infiltration.

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Report of SA [redacted] dated 9-21-48 at New Orleans, La.

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[REDACTED]

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The "New Orleans Informer and Sentinel", Negro publication, in an issue dated October 2, 1948 entitled, "NAACP Prepares for State Conference", reported that the New Orleans NAACP in its regular meeting place, the Dryades Street Library, had elected delegates to attend the State Conference of Branches of the NAACP beginning on October 17, 1948, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Delegates listed were set out as follows: ROBERT DELANOUSSAYE, PAUL LANDIX, A. J. CHAPITAL, J. GUERUE, GENEVA BREAU, E. B. GRIFFIN, Jr.

(b)(2)
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Baton Rouge, Louisiana

The "Louisiana Weekly", a Negro newspaper, in an article dated October 23, 1948, entitled, "State Branches of NAACP Report Voting, Registration Gains Made at Annual Meet", reported the information that the Louisiana State Conference of the NAACP Branches, held its state-wide conference in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, attended by representatives from twenty-one branches of the NAACP throughout the State of Louisiana. The meeting was held at the St. Mark Methodist Church, 14th and Convention Street, Baton Rouge. The article reflected that state officers of the NAACP elected were as follows:

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A. P. ~~TUREAUD~~, New Orleans, President; W.B. ~~McTILLON~~, Plaquemine, Vice President; ~~HENRY DORSEY~~, Donaldsonville, Secretary; and ~~BENJAMIN STAMER~~, Baton Rouge, Treasurer.

Alexandria, Louisiana

(b)(7)(c) The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], advised that the following are the NAACP representatives in Alexandria: Rev. J.H. ~~MURPHY~~, Chairman; Rev. ~~LEONARD DORSEY~~, Vice Chairman; ~~GEORGE JOHNSON~~, Recording Secretary.

Monroe, Louisiana

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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Shreveport, Louisiana

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Southern District of Mississippi

Jackson, Mississippi

(b)(7)(r)

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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(b)(7)(D)

[REDACTED]

Greenville, Mississippi

(b)(2)
(b)(7)(D)

[REDACTED]

(b)(7)(D)

[REDACTED] Greenville, advised that no information had come to the attention of that department indicating an attempt on the part of Communist Party members to infiltrate the local NAACP Branch.

Natchez, Mississippi

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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NEW ORLEANS OFFICE

At New Orleans, Louisiana; Will continue to follow and report Communist infiltration into the NAACP in Louisiana and the Southern District of Mississippi.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 22, 1948

FROM : SAC, St. Louis

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - CREGISTERED MAIL

There is herewith enclosed a portion of a developed roll of 16 mm movie camera film taken by Special Agent [redacted] of this office on November 10, 1948. The first picture to appear on the film in connection is that of an individual whom your office has identified as [redacted]

(b)(7)(C) The second sequence of pictures shows [redacted] and another unidentified individual after having alighted from a taxi cab and walking up the street to the entrance and seeking to gain entrance of the Central Baptist Church at Ewing and Washington Avenue in St. Louis on the occasion of the National Conference of the NAACP Youth in St. Louis.

It should be noted that [redacted] in these pictures has the smoother hair cut and is not wearing a topcoat, whereas the other unknown individual is wearing a topcoat.

This film is being forwarded to you for your information.

[redacted]
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New York

January 4, 1949

Director, FBI

EVERETT CAREY THOMAS, was.
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For your information there is attached a copy of a communication dated December 17, 1948, which the Bureau has received from the St. Louis Office entitled "National Association For The Advancement of Colored People, Internal Security - C". There is also attached the film referred to in the letter from the St. Louis Office.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 2, 1949

FROM : SAC, St. Louis

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Reference is made to aylet of December 17, 1948 and enclosing a portion of a developed roll of 16mm movie camera film containing a photo of [REDACTED]

Through inadvertency this film was forwarded to the Bureau and should have been sent to the New York Office. You are respectfully requested to forward the above mentioned film to the New York Office at your earliest convenience, inasmuch as it is believed that it contains pictures of [REDACTED] suitable for identification purposes and will therefore be useful to the New York Office.

[REDACTED]
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI - Attn. Photographic Lab.

DATE: January 25, 1949

FROM : SAC, Honolulu

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NAACP
IN THE HONOLULU DIVISION
Internal Security - C

NETS - ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

There is being sent under separate cover one roll of undeveloped Microfilm film [REDACTED]

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It is to be noted that the first few exposures were erroneously identified and should not be printed. There is a short unexposed section separating these from the rest of the film.

It is requested that two prints of each picture be forwarded to the Honolulu Office.

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February 18, 1949

SAC, Honolulu

Director, FBI

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Communist Infiltration Of The NAACP
In The Honolulu Division
Internal Security - C

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Reference is made to your letter dated January 25, 1949, transmitting one roll of Microfilm film pertaining to the above captioned matter.

In accordance with your request, two prints have been made of each exposure and they are being forwarded together with the film to your office under separate registered cover.

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Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
Mr. Egan _____
Mr. Gurnea _____
Mr. Harbo _____
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Mr. Pennington _____
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REPORT MADE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA.	DATE WHEN MADE 3-3-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10-21;11-9,29; 12-17-48;1-5, 6,13,25;2-23-49	REPORT MADE BY (b)(7)(C) KIM
TITLE COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE IN THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: New officials of NAACP, New Orleans, La., installed 1-16-49. (b)(7)(D) ALL FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF ROUTING DATE 6-25-62 Class. & Ext. By SP-8 BTJ/mhw Reason-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2 Date of Review 3/25/92			
REFERENCE:	Report of Special Agent (b)(7)(C) P.P. [redacted] dated 12-27-48 at New Orleans, La.		
DETAILS:	<u>I. HISTORY AND SCOPE OF THE NAACP IN LOUISIANA AND SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI</u> At NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA: The Pittsburgh Courier, Louisiana edition negro publication, in an article dated January 1, 1949, reported the following individuals to be installed as new officers of the New Orleans National Association for the Advancement of Colored People January 16, 1949 at the Mt. Zion Methodist Church, 2517 Jackson Avenue: ROBERT B. DELANOUSSAYE, president; RC		
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PAUL LANDIL, vice-president;
WILFRED AUBERT, secretary;
JOSEPH W. NELSON, treasurer;
CHARLES GAMBRELL, financial secretary;
A. P. TUREAUD, attorney.

(b)(2)
(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED]
This information was also confirmed by [REDACTED]
(b)(1)
(b)(2)
(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED]
In the report of reference, [REDACTED]
(b)(2)
(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (b)(1)
[REDACTED]

The Pittsburgh Courier, Louisiana edition negro publication, reported in an article dated January 29, 1949 that the New Orleans NAACP has a goal of obtaining 30,000 registered negro voters during the year 1949.

At LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA:

(b)(7)(C) [REDACTED] The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED]

(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED] Lafayette, Louisiana, advised that the local chapter of the NAACP is not very active in Lafayette. It is headed by a negro named SIMON HOLLIER whose occupation is that of junk yard dealer. [REDACTED] stated that HOLLIER has a good reputation in Lafayette and that no information has come to his attention which would indicate that any individuals or groups are endeavoring to disseminate subversive propaganda or are carrying on subversive activities within the NAACP.

(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED], Lafayette, stated that he had received no information regarding the NAACP at Lafayette, Louisiana reflecting unfavorably toward the organization. [REDACTED] said that he feels certain that the organization is not influenced at this time by any subversive groups.
[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent

(b)(7)(c)

At LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA:

[REDACTED]

(b)(2)

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The following investigation was conducted at Baton Rouge, and Scotlandville, Louisiana by Special Agent [REDACTED]

(b)(7)(c)

At BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA:

[REDACTED]

At SCOTLANDVILLE, LOUISIANA:

[REDACTED]

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(b)(7)(C) [REDACTED]

Southern District of Mississippi

The following investigation at Pascagoula, Moss Point and Biloxi, Mississippi was conducted by Special Agent [REDACTED]

At PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI:

(b)(2)
(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED]

At MOSS POINT, MISSISSIPPI:

[REDACTED]

At BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI:

(b)(7)(C) [REDACTED] Biloxi, stated that to his knowledge there is no NAACP presently active in Biloxi, Mississippi.

(b)(7)(C)
(b)(7)(D) [REDACTED]

On December 16, 1968, [REDACTED] advised Special Agent [REDACTED] that he had received information [REDACTED]

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LEADS:

NEW ORLEANS DIVISION:

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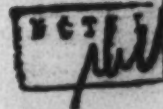
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON
 FROM : L. B. NICHOLS
 SUBJECT:

DATE: March 10, 1949



With reference to the attached telegram from George Raymond, Chester, Pennsylvania, NAACP, inviting Bureau representative to address the annual Fathers Night Program March 16, sponsored by the PTA of the Booker T. Washington School, a check has been made with the Philadelphia Office and with the resident Agents at Chester and there is no record in the indices of the Parents Teachers Association or of the Booker T. Washington School of Chester, Pennsylvania.

(b)(7)(c) [redacted] He is, of course, active as the head of the NAACP in that city. Three references in the Philadelphia files show his activities as later of the NAACP. The Philadelphia Afro-American, dated 9-28-44, shows that efforts to set up a Jim Crow regime in the Chester Schools was fought by the NAACP headed by the President, George Raymond. The Philadelphia Inquirer of 8-26-46, shows that a mass meeting was held in Chester protesting riots and lynchings developing in the South. This meeting was held under the Chester NAACP as directed by its President, George Raymond. The Afro-American for September 27, 1947, carried a story regarding the fight on civil rights in Chester, indicating that complaints filed by the NAACP through its President, George Raymond, brought about the indictment of three white store owners who allegedly were violating the Philadelphia Equal Rights Law.

(b)(7)(c) [redacted] advises that there is no information indicating any infiltration by the Communist Party into the Chester NAACP.

[redacted] in view of the shortness of notice the invitation is being declined and it is recommended that the attached wire go forth.

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Gurnea	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Hendon	✓
Mr. Jones	✓
Mr. Quinn	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

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J EDGAR HOOVER, FBI
DEPT OF JUSTICE

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DEAR MR HOOVER, KNOWING OF YOUR INTEREST IN THE WELFARE
OF GROWING CHILDREN IN OUR COUNTRY WE ARE TAKING THE LIBERTY
OF WRITING YOU. THE PARENTS TEACHERS ASSOC OF BOOKER T.
WASHINGTON SCHOOL IS SPONSORING ITS ANNUAL FATHERS NIGHT
PROGRAM ON WEDNESDAY EVENING MARCH 16 1949. THE PRESENT RATE
OF JUVENILE DELINQUENCY HAS PLACED THE ROLE OF PARENTS IN THE
FOREFRONT OF SOCIAL CONSCIOUSNESS TODAY. CONSEQUENTLY WE
BELIEVE THAT SOMEONE IN YOUR DEPARTMENT COULD MAKE A
CONTRIBUTION OF VALUE TO THIS MEETING MAY WE REQUEST THAT
ONE OF YOUR AGENTS BE PRESENT AS OUR GUEST SPEAKER ON THE
ABOVE DATE SUCH AN EVENT SHOULD BE OF MUTUAL BENEFIT,

SINCERELY YOURS

GEORGE RAYMOND PRESIDENT [REDACTED] CHESTER BRANCH
ASSOCIATION FOR ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE

16 1949..

cc - Mr. Nichols

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

March 10, 1949

URGENT

Transmit the following message to:

GEORGE RAYMOND
PRESIDENT

CHESTER BRANCH NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
FOR ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
CHESTER, PENNSYLVANIA

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DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR TELEGRAPHIC INVITATION FOR BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE ADDRESS ANNUAL FATHERS NIGHT PROGRAM PARENTS TEACHERS ASSOCIATION BOOKER T. WASHINGTON SCHOOL MARCH 16 NEXT BUT REGRET COMMITMENTS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED THAT EVENING PRECLUDE REPRESENTATIVE BEING PRESENT. TRUST MEETING WILL BE SUCCESSFUL.

SINCERELY YOURS,

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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EX-1

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

DATE: 3/11/49

FROM

(b)(7)(c)

SUBJECT: ~~WALTER WHITE~~, Executive Secretary, NAACP
LESLIE PERRY, Administrative Agent, NAACP

The above captioned individuals were interviewed on Radio Station ~~WJZ~~ on the evening of March 10, 1949 on the program "The House That Jack Built". This program has a disk jockey by the name of ~~HAL JACKSON~~ who acted as moderator.

The general discussion covered the current Senate filibuster and the fact that legislation on lynching, segregation and other civil rights matters could not be brought before the Senate for a vote. ~~WALTER WHITE~~ referred to Senator ~~PREPPER~~'s speech yesterday in the Senate on the filibuster and what a change was taking place within the southern states regarding the opinion of the white people toward the negroes. ~~WHITE~~ also referred to his mission as delegate to the United Nations in Paris, France, this year. In that regard he stated that the other delegates of that body laughed at the comments of the various American delegates pertaining to civil liberties, due to the present condition in the United States regarding minority groups. ~~WHITE~~ also stated his position as being against any form of totalitarianism and named Facism, Nazism, and Communism. ~~WHITE~~ took the opportunity to advertise his new book called "~~A Man Named White~~."

~~LESLIE PERRY~~ made side comments to ~~WHITE~~'s speech and referred several times to the segregation in Washington, especially in the employment field. ~~PERRY~~'s statements were made with that virile tone that was reflected in his letters to the Bureau in 1947 regarding our employment policies.

At no time during the comments of these two men or the comments of ~~JACKSON~~, the moderator, was the FBI mentioned by name.

This is submitted for informational purposes only.

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El Dorado, Kans.
May 24, 1949.

J. Edgar Hoover,
Washington D.C.,
Dear Sir:

I am writing for a
little information.

Recently I received the
enclosed communication.
I wrote on the back and
then began to try and
find out concerning the
organization. I have
asked every one that
should know and can
find no one ⁶¹⁻³¹⁷⁶⁻⁴⁸⁷ that has
ever even heard of
the Youth Argony.

WCH 3-31-49 ka

Please let me know
if there really is such
an organization. I hate
to send a recommendation
to some racket or Com-
munist movement.

Also please return
the sheet enclosed.

Thank you in advance
for what information
you may have.

Respectfully

(b)(7)(C)

El Dorado, Kans.

March 31, 1949

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St. Dorado, Kansas

Dear

(b)(7)(C)

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Your letter dated March 24, 1949, has been received. Although I would like to be of service you are advised that Departmental regulations require that information in our files be maintained as confidential and available for official use only. No inference should be drawn, however, that we do or do not have information in our files concerning the organization mentioned in your letter, because of my inability to be of assistance. Pursuant to your request I am returning herewith the enclosure received with your letter and I am also enclosing some material which I thought might be of interest to you.

Sincerely yours,

G.I.R.-7

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

Letter addressed to Correspondent from Youth Argosy
Self-Addressed stamped envelope
God or Chaos?
Director's Testimony.

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NOTE: No information in Bureau Files concerning
"Youth Argosy, Incorporated," 366 Broadway, New York
enclosure being returned is a form letter
dated March 8, 1949, to correspondent stating that her

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name was given as a reference by an applicant for membership in "Youth Argosy, Inc.," which is described in the letter as being an educational non-profit organization for those who desire world wide travel, opportunities for education, friendship and service.

Board of Directors include Dr. Manfred ~~Zauscher~~, of M.I.T.; Monroe W. ~~Smith~~, of the American Youth Hostels; ~~Bernice~~ Bridges, of the Youth Division, National Social Welfare Assembly; James ~~Robinson~~, of the Executive Committee, National Association for Advancement of Colored People.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: May 3, 1949

D/K/B

FROM : EL PASO

SUBJECT:

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF
COLORED PEOPLE, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO CHAPTER

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This is being furnished the Bureau and the Los Angeles Office for their information. In the event pertinent information is developed in the future in this regard the Bureau and the Los Angeles Office will be advised.

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF
COLORED PEOPLE (NAACP)

No investigation of the NAACP has been conducted by this Bureau.

FACTS:

The NAACP which organized in 1909 was incorporated under the laws of the State of New York in 1911. Its national headquarters is located at 20 West 40th Street, New York City. The official organ of the organization is known as "The Crisis".

OFFICERS:

Attached are two photostatic copies of a letterhead in use by the NAACP in February, 1948, which lists the officers of the organization.

PURPOSE:

The NAACP has for its general purpose the extension of full citizenship rights to negroes and other minorities as granted by the Constitution of the United States. It stands unequivocally for the elimination of segregation and discrimination in all of its forms, in every aspect of community life.

COMMENTS:

In an article appearing in the New York Times of October 24, 1947, Walter White, Executive Secretary of the NAACP, reportedly announced that the NAACP was the largest negro organization in the United States, composed of 1509 branches with over 500,000 members.

COMMUNIST INTEREST IN THE NAACP:

As the NAACP is the largest negro organization in the United States, the Communist Party has long been interested but unsuccessful in gaining control of the organization.

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[REDACTED] Information has been received indicating that the [REDACTED] Party has been successful in infiltrating and gaining control of a few local branches but no evidence of successful infiltration of the NAACP on a national level has been obtained.

An article captioned "The NAACP and the Communists" which appeared in the March, 1947, issue of "The Crisis" outlines the NAACP's stand concerning Communism. Two photostatic copies of a reprint of this article are attached.

No information is contained in the files of this Bureau concerning the degree of Communist infiltration, if any, in the New York City branch of the NAACP.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: April 29, 1949

FROM :

(b)(7)(c)

SUBJECT: Request from Atomic Energy Commission for a Name Check on the
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People -

The Atomic Energy Commission has presented a request for a name check on the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, 69 Fifth Avenue, New York City. They advise that they are particularly interested in the New York City branch of this organization.

(b)(7)(c) [redacted] Atomic Energy Commission, telephonically advised Liaison that he was not desirous of causing the Bureau a great deal of work in preparing an exhaustive review of this organization, but indicated that the Commission had had instances in which applicants for work on various projects had listed membership in the NAACP, and indicated he would greatly appreciate having a thumbnail sketch of this organization with particular emphasis on the degree of infiltration in the New York City branch.

Bureau file 61-3176, Section 13, shows that a pending report was submitted by the New Orleans office on March 3, 1949, entitled "Communist Infiltration of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People - Internal Security - C."

Action:

Inasmuch as the file on the infiltration of this organization is presently in a pending status, this memorandum be referred to the Internal Security Section for preparation of a suitable memorandum to be supplied the Atomic Energy Commission by liaison.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : [REDACTED] (b)(7)(C)

FROM : Mr. Baumgardner *2/2/50*

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT
OF COLORED PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: May 18, 1949

(b)(7)(C) Reference is made to [REDACTED] memorandum to you of April 29, 1949, advising that the Atomic Energy Commission desired a thumbnail sketch on the captioned organization with particular emphasis on the degree of Communist infiltration, if any, in the New York City Branch. No actual investigation of the NAACP has been conducted by the Bureau, although all field offices have been advised to report any information coming to their attention concerning attempts by the Communist Party to infiltrate the group.

Attached is a brief summary concerning the NAACP.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this memorandum be referred to the Liaison unit in order that the Atomic Energy Commission may be furnished the attached memorandum on the NAACP.

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REPORT MADE AT New Orleans, La.	DATE WHEN MADE 5/26/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/16, 5/10, 11/49	REPORT MADE BY (b)(6) sh
TITLE COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE COLORED PEOPLE IN THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated March 3, 1949, at New Orleans, Louisiana. Class. & Ext. By SP-86TS/mc Reason-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2 Date of Review 3/9/92

DETAILS: AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

I. ORIGIN, SCOPE AND GENERAL ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

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The PITTSBURGH COURIER, Louisiana edition, Negro newspaper, in an article dated March 12, 1949, contained under the heading "Three Louisiana Delegates Going to NAACP Confab" information that A. P. TUREAUD, New Orleans, W. W. WINBUSH, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and MRS. B. E. KING, Ruston, Louisiana, would attend the annual Southwest Regional NAACP Conference March 20, 1949, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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The LOUISIANA WEEKLY, Negro newspaper, in an article dated April 16, 1949, entitled "Charges He Was Kicked, Stomped By Three Officers", reports that SAMUEL SPEARS, 40 years of age, with address 3831 Duplessis Street, was arrested by the Police Department on April 10, 1949. The article reflected that it had been reported that two members of the Progressive Party of Louisiana were seated at a table on the sidewalk on Freret Street, engaged in showing prospective Negro voters out to register. The article reflects that SPEARS was arrested in that vicinity for failure to move on and that the two Progressive Party members immediately left the vicinity without being arrested by the police.

The NEW ORLEANS INFORMER, Negro newspaper, reported in an article dated April 23, 1949, the above information under the heading "Crippled Man Stomped By Cops, To Court Wednesday". The article reflected that SPEARS would be represented by Attorney A. P. TUREAUD, Legal Counsel of the NAACP.

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LEADS:

THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION:

At New Orleans, Louisiana, will continue to follow and report any
Communist infiltration into the NAACP in
Louisiana and the Southern District of
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 4/21/49

FROM : SAC, Little Rock

SUBJECT: NAACP National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Arkansas Branches; Civil Rights and Domestic Violence

Transmitted herewith is a clipping from the "Arkansas World", a colored newspaper, Little Rock, Arkansas, dated 4/17/49, concerning a legal action sponsored by the above captioned group to compel the local school board at Fort Smith, Arkansas to grant equal educational opportunities to negro children. This suit has been previously referred to by this office in a letter to the Bureau dated 3/21/49 entitled [REDACTED]

It is noted that the Fort Smith case was filed by Attorney J. R. BOOKER of Little Rock, who is a prominent colored attorney, and NAACP Regional Special Counsel U. S. TATE of Dallas, Texas. TATE is not known to this office.

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Sister Branches Come To Aid Of Fort Smith NAACP In School Case

FORT SMITH, ARK. — Citizens of Fort Smith have been cheered in their NAACP-sponsored legal fight to compel the local school board to grant equal educational opportunities to Negro children by the prompt and generous response of sister NAACP Arkansas branches in sending in money to support the effort, S. B. Rutledge, branch president, revealed here.

"Recently the Regional Office in Dallas appealed to other Arkansas branches to help us," said Mr. Rutledge, "and seven have already responded. They are Tarry, \$10;

Gould, \$10; North Little Rock, \$10; Tillar, \$9.25; DeQueen, \$10; Camden, \$15; and Warren, \$19.25. This totals \$79.10, a mighty big help which the folks here highly appreciate. Altogether, we are out to raise \$1000, to push our case through."

The Fort Smith Case, filed on the public school level by Attorney J. R. Booker of Little Rock and NAACP Regional Special Counsel U. S. Tate of Dallas, is expected to reach the trial stage in the next few weeks. It was filed December 10, last year.

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United States Department of Justice

607 S. Court House
Foley Square
New York 7, New York

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June 21, 1949

Director, FBI

RE: N.A.A.C.P.
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Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt
EDWARD SCHEIDT
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: July 7, 1949

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

SUBJECT: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

In connection with the 40th Annual Convention of the National Association of Colored People scheduled to be held in Los Angeles, California from July 12, 1949 to July 17, 1949

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The above information is being furnished to the Bureau, New York, and Los Angeles for their information and assistance. Los Angeles is requested to furnish the Philadelphia Division with any information which might come to their attention during the convention concerning the activities of any of the Philadelphia delegates. There is being forwarded herewith copies of photographs of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. It is noted that Los Angeles is already in possession of the photograph of [REDACTED].

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

July 15, 1949

The attached was forwarded to
the Director by Walter Winchell.

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*United Associations for the
Liberation of Color People*



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ATTENTION:

Mr. Walter Winchell
The Daily Mirror
235 E. 45 th St.
New York, N.Y.

TO MR. WALTER WINCHELL:

There are COMMUNISTS, who are holding OFFICIAL
POSITIONS in the POLICE DEPARTMENT AND EXECUTIVE
POSITIONS in the NAACP. When will this shameful betrayal
betrayal be brought to the attention of the people?

Names and information can be obtained with little
difficulty.

A TAXPAYER.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7-12-49

FROM : *AK* ~~ASST. DIR.~~ LITTLE ROCKSUBJECT: ~~ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NEGRO~~
STUDENTS, STATE OF ARKANSAS

Transmitted herewith are a clipping appearing in the Arkansas Gazette July 9, an editorial appearing in the Arkansas Democrat July 10, and an article appearing in the Arkansas Democrat July 10, 1949.

For the Bureau's information, Dr. J. A. WHITE of Warren, Arkansas, state head of the National Association For the Advancement of Colored People, has indicated that additional suits would be filed.

For the Bureau's further information, three of the four suits pending in Arkansas Federal Courts are being handled by [REDACTED] information about whom was contained in my letter dated March 21, 1949, to the Bureau entitled, [REDACTED]

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School Board Jump Ahead Of Courts

Little Rock Strives To Equalize White, Negro Facilities

By DOROTHY HARBELL
(Democrat Staff Writer.)

Realizing the need for equal educational opportunities for Negroes, the Little Rock School Board has kept a jump ahead of court rulings ordering better schooling for Negroes. Dr. Edwin N. Barron, president of the board, said yesterday in discussing the Federal Court decision of Judge Harry J. Lemley issued yesterday.

Judge Lemley ordered DeWitt school directors to improve educational facilities for Negro children or to reduce the standard of those maintained for white children until they are equal. His ruling was the result of a suit filed by Negro school patrons of DeWitt Special School District No. 1. Similar rulings have been given recently in Virginia and other Southern states.

Dr. Barron said that the Little Rock board has been concerned with making Negro schools as good as those provided for whites and has accomplished much toward this goal. He said that all Negro schools in the city, except one, have been rebuilt or repaired so that they are on a par with white schools. The one school still under par is Stephens School, which is to be replaced soon. New School Planned.

The most recent action taken by the board to improve Negro schools, was the bond issue proposed June 28. The \$1,500,000 bond issue, which will go to the voters in the September school elections, specifies that \$840,000 will be used for building and improving Negro schools, \$585,000 will be used for white schools, and \$75,000 will be used to build a warehouse.

Little Rock Public Schools spent \$143.55 per white student and \$113.87 for each Negro of 3,391 students during 1947-48. The differential was \$29.68. It would cost the district \$100,644 to equalize expenditures if approximately the same relationship were to exist.

Schools for white children in Little Rock (including estimates on two now under construction) are valued for insurance purposes at about \$7,961,157. Negro schools (including two under construction) are valued at \$1,451,869. The Negro student enrollment in 1947-48 was about 37 per cent of the white enrollment.

If Negro school buildings equaled 37 per cent of the dollar value of white schools, their value would be \$2,945,617. Therefore, it would take about \$1,483,748 to equalize building values.

The proposed bond issue for \$1,500,000, if approved in the September elections, would reduced this figure. More than one-half of the proceeds will go to Negro schools if the issue is approved, but the differential will not be eliminated, as white schools also will be im-

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Sobering School Decision.

A sobering decision to the school patrons and taxpayers of Arkansas was made by Federal Judge Harry J. Lemley, Friday.

It ordered DeWitt Special School District No. 1 to provide school facilities for its Negro children "substantially equal" to those for its white children.

This means buildings, equipment, length of school terms and other such factors. A "reasonable time" is allowed for improving the Negro school buildings. But the length of terms must be equalized at the opening of the 1949-50 session.

The district has no Negro high school, and the Negro children have been going to one in another district, a C rated school. Judge Lemley says these children must have the same rating of high school as the district's white pupils.

In allowing a "reasonable time" for improving the Negro elementary school, the decree said it must be "substantially" as good as the white school, "taking into consideration the comparative average daily attendance of the students of each race, together with any other pertinent factors."

How much, if any, leeway that may allow, we don't know.

Apparently, the decision will apply to all districts having white and Negro schools. The cost would be high. To bring the school buildings and equipment up to standard may call for 10 million dollars, according to Ed McCuiston of the state Department of Education. And the per capita expenditure for Negro students, for upkeep, teachers' salaries and the like, will require about three and one-half million dollars more a year.

Some money can be raised by bringing property assessments in the districts up to where they belong. But many white schools also are below standard. The whole bill, for two school systems in many districts, will hit hard.

And where does this "equality" matter end? Will it result in a demand that all of the poorer white schools in the state be brought up to a level with the best ones? Will it apply to the colleges, as say, between the Negro A. M. and N. College at Pine Bluff and the white colleges? How can Arkansas, 47th in per capita income, meet such a bill, and finance other urgent demands?

We are not finding fault with Judge Lemley's decision. It was a tempered pronouncement, in line with federal Supreme Court rulings, and essentially just.

But we do wonder about that "equality" standard. Some of our Negro schools are a disgrace, and cannot be too quickly improved. Yet the best schooling isn't always provided with the costliest facilities. A lot of mighty capable men and women have been turned out by plain, little schools; some mighty poor ones by imposing educational plants.

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D. Witt Ordered to Put Negro Schools on Par With Those for Whites

School directors in DeWitt were given the alternative yesterday of improving educational facilities for Negro children or reducing the standard of those maintained for white children until they are substantially equal.

This order, backed by a number of specific conditions to be met, was issued at Little Rock by Federal Judge Harry J. Lemley in the wake of last month's trial on a complaint filed by Negro school patrons of DeWitt Special School District No. 1. Judge Lemley's decision followed a general pattern established recently by Federal Courts in Virginia and other Southern states.

The order allows the directors a "reasonable time" to make most of the specified adjustments, but the board was told to either give the Negro children a nine-month school term, beginning next fall, or reduce the white children's term to give white and Negro pupils equal classroom time.

The board also was instructed not to spend any more money for building or improving white schools unless a proportionate share of such funds are allocated to improvement of Negro schools.

Plaintiffs were represented by W. Harold Flowers, Negro attorney of Pine Bluff. In a complaint filed last January, the attorney charged that facilities offered DeWitt Negro children were far below standards of those for white children. The differential, he alleged, was an abridgment of national and state constitutional guarantees to Negro children. Judge Lemley upheld most of the plaintiffs' contentions.

Memorandum on Segregation

Although there was no mention during the trial of an effort to have Negro children attend white schools, such a suggestion was thinly veiled in the written complaint.

In a memorandum filed with the decree, Judge Lemley took note of the suggestion, saying:

"We do not feel that such action is necessary for protection of the constitutional rights of plaintiffs . . . or that such action would be for the best interests of children of either race."

He also said that he felt that Federal Courts should not endeavor to formulate or alter modes or policies of the several states, especially in fields as delicate and potentially explosive as those of race relationships.

Other Cases Pending

Suits similar to the DeWitt case, but concerning schools in Morrilton, Fort Smith and Texarkana school districts, are pending in Federal Courts in Arkansas.

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On May 1, 1949, DR. OAKLEY C. JOHNSON, head of the LOUISIANA CIVIL RIGHTS CONFERENCE

[REDACTED] was refused permission to speak before a NAACP gathering at Edgard, Louisiana, although DR. JOHNSON reported as a "gold card" member of the NAACP.

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DETAILS: AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

I. ORIGIN, SCOPE AND GENERAL ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

The DAILY WORKER, East Coast publication of the Communist Party, in an article entitled "Louisiana Negroes, Whites March Together for Rights", reported that on May 1, 1949, an interracial civil-rights parade took place at Edgard, Louisiana, under the sponsorship of the West Bank chapters of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE COLORED PEOPLE. The article stated that some five hundred Negro citizens of Gretna, Marrero and Edgard, Louisiana,

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augmented by a small contingent of members of the Louisiana Civil Rights Congress, marched about a mile and a half from the NAACP Hall to the Baptist Church.

The article stated that DR. OAKLEY C. JOHNSON, described as head of the cooperating group from the Louisiana Civil Rights Congress, had received a written invitation to speak at the meeting from Mr. LOUIS BROTH, President, and MRS. DELORES WALKER, Secretary, Gretna Chapter of the NAACP, which, according to the article, had joined the Edgard, Louisiana, Chapter in sponsoring the affair. It was reported that a program of speakers had been arranged at the church; however, DANIEL E. BYRD, NAACP Regional Director for the South, would not allow DR. JOHNSON to speak on this program. The article stated that BYRD said that only NAACP officials were permitted to speak at any NAACP affairs. The article stated that when about half of the original audience, after the church program was over, began to gather at the old NAACP Hall in the expectation of hearing DR. JOHNSON'S remarks, BYRD followed up the crowd and again ordered that the visiting secretary of the Louisiana Civil Rights Congress, Mr. JOHNSON, not be allowed to address the people gathered there. The article stated that BYRD adhered to his position even though it was revealed that DR. JOHNSON is a "gold card" member of the NAACP as well as the leader in the Louisiana Civil Rights Congress. The article quoted DR. JOHNSON as saying: "It is not particularly important that I speak." He stated that he desired to assure all there that he had been proud to march in the Civil Rights Parade and that he felt more could be accomplished for human rights if all were united in spirit and worked together on issues wherever possible.

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THE DAILY WORKER, East Coast publication of the Communist Party, carried an article dated January 9, 1949, entitled "Teachers Fight Against Transfers", written by DILLARD OAKES.

The NEW ORLEANS INFORMER AND SENTINEL, Negro publication, in an article dated June 11, 1949, entitled "Mississippi NAACP Leaders Plan State-Wide Suits for School Equality", reported that representatives of the Mississippi NAACP Branch disclosed that suits from every county in the State of Mississippi seeking equal pay and facilities for the education of Negroes would be brought in Federal courts within a short time. In addition, they will ask the courts to open up state-supported institutions giving training in law and medicine to Negro students. The article quoted Reverend W. A. BENDER, of Tougaloo College, as saying that the NAACP would be "satisfied with nothing less than equal facilities". He said the group was not willing to accept the "adequate" facilities which Governor FIELDING L. WRIGHT announced he would back for Negro students.

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At New Orleans, Louisiana, will continue to follow and report any Communist infiltration into the NAACP in Louisiana and the Southern District of Mississippi.

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